

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. The amended claims were received on August 7, 2008. The amended claims are acceptable.

Drawings

2. The drawings were received on August 20, 2003. The drawings are acceptable.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1, 7-9, 11-13, 15, 19-20, 23, 25, 27,28 and 30 are allowed over the prior art of record.

Reasons for Allowance

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:
The prior art of record neither teach nor render obvious the instant application claimed invention as a whole, in particular, the prior art fails to teach "wherein retractable connector reacts linearly within a slot of the memory card from the extended position to retracted position along an axis parallel to an edge of the memory card" as recited in claim 1, "wherein retractable connector reacts linearly within a slot of the memory card from the extended position to retracted position along an axis parallel to an edge of the memory card" as recited in claim 15, "wherein retractable connector reacts linearly within a slot of the memory card from the extended position to retracted position along an axis parallel to an edge of the memory card" as recited in claim 23, "wherein retractable connector reacts linearly within a slot of the memory card from the extended position to retracted position along an axis parallel to an edge of the memory card" as

recited in claim 27 and "wherein the retractable connector reacts linearly within a slot of the memory card from the extended position to retracted position along an axis parallel to an edge of the memory card" as recited in claim 28.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ABIY GETACHEW whose telephone number is (571)272-6932. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday 8Am to 4:30Pm.

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